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SITUATION REPORT NR 18-62 as of 090500 Nov 62.

Summary of Special Operations

Period 080500 Nov 62 - 090500 Nov 62. All times are Eastern  
Standard unless otherwise indicated.

1. INTELLIGENCE

a. Military

(1) Assembly of IL-28's at San Julian Airfield (GV 9346), Cuba, appears to be continuing. Photograph of 7 Nov revealed the same total of aircraft--nine--but also indicated that five IL-28's and one UH-28 were completely assembled, and another probable UH-28 (HASCOT) was completed. Two other IL-28's are in an early stage of assembly. However, the total unopened IL-28 crates has increased from 20 to 24 with the apparent delivery of the four crates

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photographed at a nearby rail junction on 3 Nov. The total of IL-28's now judged to be at San Julian is 23, and the additional nine IL-28 crates at Holguin (H7010) brings the overall total in Cuba to at least 42.

(2) 7 Nov photography of Casilda Port (PQ 0406) on the south coast of Cuba, revealed that the freighter FLIZIK KURCHATOV, which had been in port on the 6th, had departed. When photographed on the 6th, this ship had six missile transporters on deck. Another large, but unidentified freighter is now berthed on the west side of the quay. Eight missile erectors are visible in the port area, and other missile associated equipment is visible on the unidentified freighter and in the area east of the quay. Five of the nine Soviet cargo vessels believed designated for out-loading of offensive weapons, have departed Cuba ports since 5 November. The BRATSK, DVIHOGRYSK and LABINSK left Mariel (LR 1747) on the fifth, the ANOSOV on the sixth, and the KURCHATOV, as reported above, departed Casilda on the seventh. All of these ships were carrying missile related equipment of various types, although neither they nor the four vessels still loading are confirmed as carriers of the actual IRBM/SSBNs.

(3) Cuba has been reopened to international commercial airline traffic according to Venezuelan officials.

b. Political

At Havana's celebration of the 45th anniversary of the

Bolshevik Revolution, major speeches were delivered by Soviet Ambassador Alexseyev and Carlos Rafael Rodriguez, president of the Agrarian Reform Institute and seventh ranking leader of the Cuban political machine. Nikoyan was on the speakers' platform with President Dorticos, but Fidel and Raul Castro and Che Guevara were apparently absent. The Soviet Ambassador's speech was replete with references to Fidel Castro as "Cuba's legendary national hero" and the Cuban people's "supreme leaders." He appeared to go out of his way to stress that Cuban-Soviet friendship is based on "mutual respect" and "complete equality." In this speech, which must have received prior approval from Nikoyan, the Soviet Ambassador added that his government supports "the legitimate demands of the revolutionary government of Cuba which are aimed at guaranteeing the sovereignty and security of the country, formulated by comrade Fidel in his Five-point communique." The general tenor of the Soviet Ambassador's speech suggests a concerted effort to mollify the Cuban leaders, whereas the absence of the three highest ranking Cubans could have been a protest against Soviet pressures.

## 2. OPERATIONS

### Movement of OPLAN 316 Units:

#### a. 1st Arm Div - On Call Units

(1) Last flight moving 1589 personnel of Hq 2d Bde,

5/6 Inf, 1/46 Inf, B/16 Engr, B/47 Med, FASC and plat 501 MP Co

Arrived Savannah 080645Z Nov.

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(2) Co C, 123 Maint Bn, now scheduled to load equipment 8 Nov.

(3) 438 personnel of 3/19 Arty and C/73 Arty departed Temple Airport between 081356Z and 081700Z Nov. ETA last plane Savannah 092225Z Nov.

b. 1st Armd Div - TF Charlie

CO, USATICA issued port call alert for Inc 1, TF Charlie, 1st Armd Div, for Port Everglades. This alert was issued in connection with COMARC msg ATUVR-DIG 303282 (DA IN 286792) which directs amphibious training for Incr 1, TF Charlie during week of 12 Nov.

3. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION: Negative report.

4. LOGISTICS:

a. CG Peninsula Base Command advised that his command is prepared to receive the first increment of TPC and that there are four LSTs on berth at Port Everglades.

b. Third Army has reported a bed expansion capability in Army Fixed Hospital Installations of 5955 beds within 72 hours, utilizing existing facilities. Substantially all supplies and equipment required are available within Medical Material Mission Reserve Stocks at the stations.

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